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ROME FOR VATICAN OFFICE

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: CSCE, PGOV, VT, CZ  
SUBJECT: CZECHOSLOVAK-VATICAN TALKS--FURTHER NOTES

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1. CARDINAL TOMASEK HAS INDICATED TO ME THAT HE IS DISAPPOINTED  
WITH THE LIMITED RESULTS OF THE APRIL 20-27 SESSION HERE BETWEEN  
CZECHOSLOVAKS AND VATICAN DELEGATION LED BY ARCHBISHOP POGGI  
(REFTEL), CALLING IT "ALL DOWN HILL."

2. SIMILARLY, ITALIAN EMBASSY DCM DE MASI TELLS US HE  
UNDERSTANDS VATICAN WILL CONTINUE TO REFRAIN FROM ACTIVELY PREPARING  
A VISIT TO PRAGUE BY VATICAN FOREIGN MINISTER CASAROLI UNTIL THE  
CONDITION OF THE CHURCH IMPROVES A GOOD DEAL MORE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

3. COMMENT: WE PRESUME CASAROLI WILL DISCUSS LOGICAL NEXT  
STEPS IN THIS "NORMALIZATION" PROCESS IN HIS ANTICIPATED  
MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK AT THE UN SPECIAL  
SESSION ON DISARMAMENT NEXT WEEK.

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